



The Corporation of the Township of Bonnechere Valley

For Immediate Release

RE: Visit to the Cottage, Municipal Parks, Garage/Yard Sales and Bonnechere Valley Heroes

Township of Bonnechere Valley – May 8, 2020 – As the May long weekend approaches many questions have been asked as to whether people can visit their cottages as the province continues to fight against the spread of COVID-19. We encourage people to hold off on travelling to the cottage until it is safe to do so. However, for those that own places in Bonnechere Valley who are considering coming up for the weekend, we would ask you to bring most of your provisions with you and make sure to respect the ongoing physical and social restrictions that are in place by the province.

There has been some good news from the Province with the reopening of municipal parks (excluding playgrounds and beaches), trails and community gardens. The municipal parks will not have visitor facilities available to the public, washroom facilities or picnic tables. As well in Bonnechere Valley sport fishing is permitted from shore or boat and we are encouraging residents to follow physical distancing rules when angling.

Despite the recent snowfall, the warmer weather will soon return to the Valley and residents may be eager to hold and attend garage/yard sales. The Township of Bonnechere Valley is cautioning residents that garage/yard sales often see multiple residents gathered in smaller spaces, and the exchange of cash as well as handling of items could lead to the spread of the virus.

Additionally, with shoppers often travelling to several neighborhoods to browse various sales, the potential for the spread of the virus would be increased.

In the meantime, we recommend making sales via Kijiji or Facebook with contactless pickup, or holding off on selling items until the provincial government lifts the physical and social restrictions and deems garage/yard sales safe to hold.

The Township of Bonnechere Valley is seeking talented individuals who can sew and who would be willing to donate homemade masks to the municipality for our employees to help keep them safe. If you can assist please contact Dana at 613.628.3101 ext 226 or via email at danaj@eganville.com.

As mentioned in our last press release we would like to recognize our frontline heroes. If you know of someone who should be recognized please send us an email to admin@eganville.com with the name of the person or organization and we will be sure to give a shout out to them on our digital display board and social media as one of our Bonnechere Valley Heroes.

This weekend as we celebrate Mother's Day by showing our appreciation for our mothers or mother figures our best gift to them is keeping them safe!

“To the world you are a mother but to your family you are the world”- author unknown

The next press release will be issued on Friday, May 15, 2020 at 10 am.

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